

Regular Meeting

Agenda Item #	3
Meeting Date	July 27, 2015
Prepared By	Sara Anne Daines HCD Director
Approved By	Suzanne R. Ludlow City Manager

Discussion Item	Single Reading Ordinance Authorizing Award of FY16 Community Grant Funds
Background	<p>The Council, having heard and considered the recommendations of the Grants Review Committee and comments from the public on July 6 and again on July 20, has expressed support of the following FY16 Community Grant awards:</p> <p><u>Capital Project Grants – Award Recommendations</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Historic Takoma: Takoma Community Radio Station \$ 11,000 • Montgomery Housing Partnership: Parkview Tower Site <u>\$ 11,000</u> <li style="text-align: right;">Subtotal \$ 22,000 <p><u>Cultural and STEM Grants – Award Recommendations</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CHEER: Youth Development Collaborative \$ 11,250 • Docs in Progress: Community Film Screening \$ 4,000 • Old Takoma Business Association: Main Street Takoma Festivals \$ 11,200 • Rhizome DC: Makers Space and Programming \$ 11,250 • Takoma Ensemble: Concert Series 2015-2016 \$ 7,500 • Takoma Langley Crossroads CDA: Mural on Holton Lane <u>\$ 10,000</u> <li style="text-align: right;">Subtotal \$ 55,200 <p><u>Program and Operational Support Grants – Award Recommendations</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CHEER: 636 Houston Court Capacity Building Project \$ 4,000 • CHEER: Takoma Park Civic Engagement Project \$ 15,000 • Crossroads Community Food Network: General Operations \$ 22,500 • Dance Exchange: General Operations \$ 15,100 • EduCare Support Services, Inc.: Food Pantry \$ 23,900 • New Hampshire Gardens Citizens Association: Capacity Building \$ 3,800 • Takoma Park Difference Makers: Vehicle Purchase <u>\$ 3,500</u> <li style="text-align: right;">Subtotal \$ 87,800 <p style="text-align: right;">Total Community Grant Award Recommendations \$165,000</p> <p>Adoption of the proposed Single Reading Ordinance will facilitate the award of these funds and authorize the execution of associated grant agreements. Funds will be disbursed on a reimbursement basis for approved expenditures incurred by the Grantee between July 1, 2015 and June 30, 2016.</p>

Policy	To provide grant funding to organizations in support of projects and programming which benefit the Takoma Park community.
Fiscal Impact	FY15 Community Grants Awards \$165,000
Attachments	Single Reading Ordinance Authorizing Award of Community Grant Funds
Recommendation	To adopt the attached Ordinance
Special Consideration	

Introduced by:

Single Reading:

CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND

ORDINANCE NO. 2015-

AUTHORIZING AWARD OF FY16 COMMUNITY GRANT FUNDS

WHEREAS, in July 2014, the Council formalized its grants process, establishing guidelines and funding parameters for three new community grants programs: Cultural and S.T.E.M. (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) Grants, Program and Operational Support Grants, and Capital Project Grants; and

WHEREAS, a total of thirty-eight (38) letters of intent and initial funding requests were submitted to the Grants Review Committee (the "Committee"), twenty-seven (27) of which were invited to submit a full grant application; and

WHEREAS, twenty-one (21) applications requesting a total of \$317,900 in grant funds were received and forwarded to the Committee for review and evaluation; and

WHEREAS, the funding recommendation of the Committee were presented to the Council for consideration on July 6, 2015; and

WHEREAS, the Council, having heard the recommendations of the Committee and after carefully weighing public comments, identified fifteen (15) projects which best fit the criteria established for the program; and

WHEREAS, a total of \$165,000 has been budgeted for the FY16 Community Grant program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND THAT

SECTION 1. Community Grant Program - Capital Project grant funds are awarded to the following organizations:

- a) Historic Takoma: Takoma Community Radio Station - \$ 11,000
- b) Montgomery Housing Partnership: Parkview Tower Site - \$ 11,000

SECTION 2. Community Grant Program - Culture and S.T.E.M. grant funds are awarded to the following organizations:

- a) CHEER: Youth Development Collaborative - \$11,250
- b) Docs in Progress: Community Film Screening - \$4,000
- c) Old Takoma Business Association: Main Street Takoma Festivals - \$11,200
- d) Rhizome DC: Makers Space and Programming - \$11,250
- e) Takoma Ensemble: Concert Series 2015-2016 - \$7,500
- f) Takoma Langley Crossroads CDA: Mural on Holton Lane - \$10,000

SECTION 3. Community Grant Program - Operating and Program Support grant funds are awarded to the following organizations:

- a) CHEER: 636 Houston Court Capacity Building Project - \$4,000
- b) CHEER: Takoma Park Civic Engagement Project - \$15,000
- c) Crossroads Community Food Network: General Operations - \$22,500
- d) Dance Exchange: General Operations - \$15,100
- e) EduCare Support Services, Inc.: Food Pantry - \$23,900
- f) New Hampshire Gardens Citizens Association: Capacity Building - \$3,800
- g) Takoma Park Difference Makers: Vehicle Purchase - \$3,500

SECTION 4. The City Manager is further authorized to execute any documents, and take any action necessary to carry out the intent of this Ordinance.

SECTION 5. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately.

ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2015 by roll-call vote as follows:

AYE:

NAY:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT: